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Our Case No. 9623/656

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

William T. Gross

Serial No.: 09/765,270

Filing Date: January 18, 2001

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
RANKING ITEMS

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Examiner: James S. McClellan  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed on March 4, 2004 in response to the non-final Office Action dated September 9, 2003; a petition and fee for a three-month extension of time are being filed herewith. Applicant requests reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.